

**MINUTES OF THE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Date: July 10, 2008 **Time:** 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Jared Smith, Chair Donna Bengé Barbara Jarrett Jason Hughes	Anne Mullins	
MEMBERS ABSENT	SUPPORT PRESENT	
Steve McCance Eric Goldman H. Peter L'Orange		

1. Call to Order

The July 10, 2008 Special Meeting of the Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes for 4/10/08 and 5/8/08 with correction to the May 8, 2008 minutes noted by Ms. Bengé

Motion –Ms. Jarrett

Seconded –Ms. Bengé

Approved unanimously

3. Consider Annual Certified Local Government (CLG) Report

Staff noted that an e-mail was distributed to the Committee tonight from Mr. Robert Frankeberger, CLG Coordinator from the State Historic Preservation Office. Mr. Frankeberger noted that the annual report is the best ever and requested an additional 30 copies for distribution to other CLGs as an example to be emulated.

Motion-Mr. Smith

Seconded-Ms. Bengé

Approved unanimously

4. Consider Additional Nominations for 2008 Annual Historic Preservation Awards

W. Earle Merrill-Activism & Lifetime Contribution

Jerry Howard-Activism & Lifetime Contribution

Motion-Ms. Bengé motioned to approve two nominees

Seconded-Mr. Hughes

Approved unanimously

Board directed staff to order the 2008 Annual Awards and to continue to work with Mesa Public Schools through July 2008 to schedule award ceremony at the Irving School. After July, staff should coordinate with the Mayor's Office to schedule the award ceremony during a City Council meeting.

5. Staff-Historic Preservation Office Project Status Report: July 10, 2008
- a) Alston House
 - National Register nomination
 - b) Escobedo Housing Project/Washington Park
 - Preparation of Historic Documentation on Structures
 - c) Status on Pioneer Park Locomotive #2355
 - Citizen Committee Meetings- 7/1/08, 7/8/08, 7/15/08
 - Website: www.saveourtrain.com and Mesa Parks Foundation accepting donations
 - Grant Applications-Union Pacific and Arizona Lottery
 - d.) HP Award Ceremony

6. Report: Arizona Museum of Natural History – Donna Bengé

Ms. Bengé discussed the two current exhibits at the Arizona Museum of Natural History, PSI and Feathered Dinosaurs. Ms. Bengé noted that the Feathered Dinosaurs exhibit will be replaced by the "Mars" exhibit in September 2008.

7. Report: Mesa Historical Museum-Jared Smith

- ❖ Mr. Smith noted that the Mesa Historical Museum was coordinating "Play Ball", an exhibit of ballparks and overview of the Cactus League for opening in January 2009.
- ❖ Mr. Smith discussed the additional summer staff at the Museum to include three (3) interns and three (3) collection volunteers. The additional summer staff has assisted in the increased production at the Museum.

8. Miscellaneous Business

- ❖ Ms. Bengé noted that the Southwest Archaeology Team (SWAT) was honored with the Governor's Award from the Governor's Archaeology Advisory Committee for Public Archaeology
- ❖ Ms. Mullins announced that due to the inability to sell her home in Florida due to all the foreclosures that her family will not be moving to Arizona. Ms. Mullins noted that her last day with the City of Mesa would be Friday, July 25, 2008.

10. Items from Citizens Present (None)

11. Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Smith moved to adjourn the July 10, 2008, meeting of the HPC.

Seconded: Ms. Jarrett

Approved unanimously

Adjourned at 7:34.